

BILL # HB 2274

TITLE: national guard; camp Navajo fund

SPONSOR: O'Halleran

STATUS: As Introduced

REQUESTED BY: House

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

Description

Current statute limits expenditures from the non-appropriated Camp Navajo Fund to operating and capital expenses related to the Camp Navajo National Guard training and storage facility. This bill would allow the National Guard to fund any National Guard capital project from the Camp Navajo Fund.

Estimated Impact

The bill could increase non-appropriated expenditures by approximately \$2,000,000 in FY 2006 and \$300,000 in FY 2007. Actual expenditures will depend on whether the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) decides to spend available balances in the Camp Navajo Fund on non-Camp Navajo capital projects.

DEMA does not anticipate using the fund's existing balances for additional expenditures in FY 2006 or FY 2007; however, the department has indicated that should the fund generate additional revenue they would use the fund for statewide National Guard capital projects.

Analysis

The Camp Navajo fund receives revenue from fees generated by a storage facility operated by the National Guard at Camp Navajo located at Bellemont. The department estimates these revenues to be \$7,600,000 in FY 2006, and \$8,400,000 in FY 2007, with projected non-appropriated expenditures of \$8,100,000 in FY 2006 and FY 2007. The ending balance for the fund is estimated to be \$2,004,200 in FY 2006, and \$2,303,400 in FY 2007.

The bill's estimated fiscal impact in FY 2006 and FY 2007 is equal to the fund's available ending balance, which under the bill could be used for any unfunded National Guard capital project in the state. In FY 2006, the department requested \$2,902,700 from the General Fund for statewide capital projects and facilities maintenance. The FY 2006 Executive budget includes an additional \$362,700 for facilities maintenance. With enactment of the bill, any unfunded project would be eligible for funding from the Camp Navajo Fund.

Local Government Impact

None

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